

### 31.—Estimated Commercial Acreage and Production of Vegetables 1955-57, with Average for 1950-54

Vegetable	Av. 1950-54		1955		1956*		1957	
	Area	Production	Area	Production	Area	Production	Area	Production
	acres	'000 lb.	acres	'000 lb.	acres	'000 lb.	acres	'000 lb.
Asparagus.....	2,840	5,967	3,680	7,228	3,770	7,585	3,800	7,467
Beans <sup>1</sup> .....	8,600	42,390	9,580	34,810	9,170	38,860	11,150	48,619
Beets.....	3,140	51,520	3,570	48,442	3,770	53,870	3,890	55,474
Cabbage.....	6,610	115,590	6,570	97,757	6,930	121,193	6,480	108,833
Carrots.....	7,820	145,053	8,560	152,578	8,720	164,120	10,200	172,336
Cauliflower.....	2,490	26,983	2,420	24,157	2,570	24,528	2,110	23,077
Celery.....	2,290	52,239	2,450	55,785	2,430	45,189	2,290	44,120
Corn <sup>2</sup> .....	44,020	216,925	44,620	252,820	44,400	216,422	47,080	300,236
Lettuce.....	4,940	64,130	5,010	54,535	4,840	47,050	4,730	44,941
Onions.....	6,700	128,197	6,040	117,904	5,890	99,608	5,710	111,018
Peas <sup>3</sup> .....	41,620	88,923	59,160	116,985	54,280	101,848	54,980	146,287
Spinach.....	1,420	13,877	1,230	13,347	1,100	12,913	1,110	11,064
Tomatoes.....	45,440	648,744	45,590	698,385	49,740	607,658	50,850	599,560

<sup>1</sup> Estimates apply only to that portion of the crop grown for processing in Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba and Alberta in 1955, 1956 and 1957. <sup>2</sup> Estimates apply only to that portion of the crop grown for processing in Quebec and Manitoba in 1955 and 1956 and Quebec, Manitoba and Alberta in 1957. <sup>3</sup> Estimates apply only to that portion of the crop grown for processing in all provinces for which estimates are made except British Columbia in 1955, 1956 and 1957.

#### Subsection 8.—Other Principal Farm Products

**Tobacco.**—The chief tobacco-growing area of Canada is located in southern Ontario in the counties adjacent to Lake Erie. Most of the cigarette tobacco comes from this district. In Ontario in 1957, 120,652 acres of flue-cured or Bright Virginia type tobacco and 6,000 acres of Burley tobacco were harvested. These are the most important types grown in Canada though dark air-cured and fire-cured tobacco as well as cigar tobacco are grown on a limited scale. The only other important production comes from Quebec. In 1957, 5,661 acres of flue-cured tobacco, 3,300 acres of cigar tobacco and 825 acres of pipe tobacco were harvested in that province.

A study of Department of National Revenue reports on tax-paid withdrawals of tobacco products reveals changes in the smoking habits of Canadians during the past three decades. In 1922, the first year for which comparable figures are available, Canadian per capita consumption of cigarettes was 229, cigars 20, cut tobacco 1.3 lb., plug tobacco 1.1 lb. and snuff about 1.3 oz. By 1957 the annual per capita consumption of cigarettes had increased to 1,817, cigars had dropped to 17.6, cut tobacco went up to 1.6 lb. in 1954 but declined to 1.2 in 1957, and plug tobacco had declined considerably.

### 32.—Acreage, Production and Value of the Commercial Crop of Leaf Tobacco, by Province, 1954-57 with Average for 1949-53

Year	Quebec			Ontario			British Columbia		
	Harvested Area	Production	Value	Harvested Area	Production	Value	Harvested Area	Production	Value
	acres	'000 lb.	\$	acres	'000 lb.	\$	acres	'000 lb.	\$
Av. 1949-53.	9,010	8,885	2,655,000	95,404	129,558	55,174,800	103	120	45,000
1954.....	10,863	11,110	3,579,000	120,804	173,569	74,174,000	88	84	35,000
1955.....	12,987	13,766	4,117,000	96,833	120,981	53,531,000	89	93	37,000
1956 <sup>*</sup> .....	11,291	10,252	3,018,000	116,356	151,589	69,001,000	75	99	40,000
1957.....	9,786	8,333	2,854,000	126,961	156,488	75,716,000	40	44	19,000